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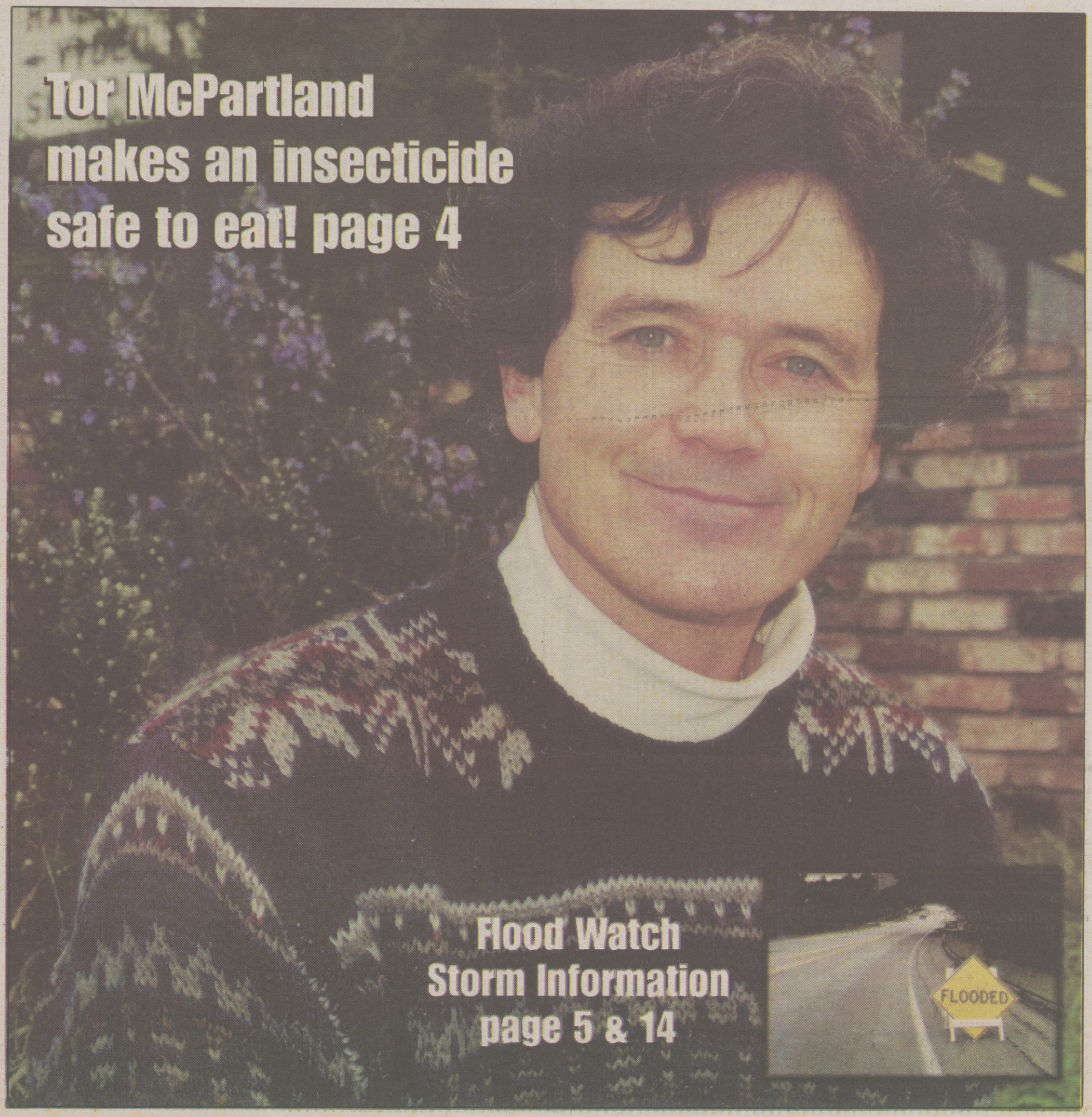

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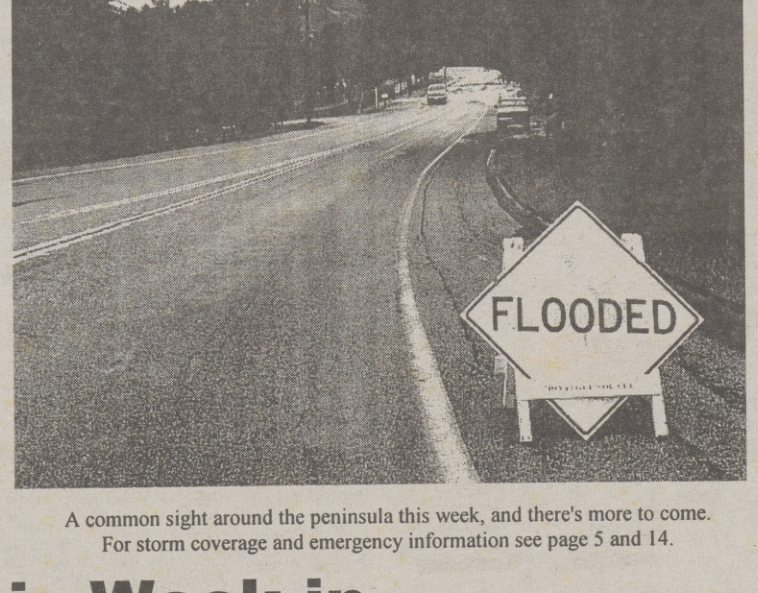

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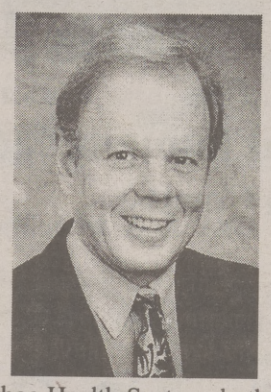
NEWS BRIEFS

Roy Robbins Joins Hospice Board

Roy Robbins has joined Hospice Foundation for the Central Coast's board of directors as treasurer and chairman of the Finance and Investment Committee.



Retired after 25 years as a health care executive, Robbins is the former chief financial officer and vice president for Saint Mary's Hospital and Washoe Health System, both in Reno, and Sunrise Hospital in Las Vegas. He now serves on Washoe's board of directors and is chairman of its Finance Committee. From 1990-91, Robbins was vice president and chief financial officer for Hospice of the Central Coast in Monterey.

A certified public accountant, Robbins has a master's degree in finance from the University of California, Berkeley, and is a resident of Carmel Valley.

Hospice Foundation for the Central Coast is a non-profit, public philanthropy which raises, manages and distributes funds to support *only* nonprofit hospice programs in Monterey and San Benito counties for terminally ill patients and their families.

Adamson Named YWCA Executive Director

Kathleen Adamson of Carmel Valley has been appointed as the new Executive Director of the YWCA of Monterey County. Her prior experience includes administration of the YWCA City Center (Milwaukee, WI), and serving as Director of Student, Life at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. In addition, she has held management positions with the Girl Scouts of Milwaukee, with congressional and gubernatorial campaigns, and with Alverno College. She moved here three years ago to take a position with the Girl Scouts of Monterey Bay, where she was Director of Program Services. She earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics; both her master's and doctoral work is in the field of education.

Man Drowns in Arroyo Seco River

The body of Jene Wharton, a 38 year-old man from Greenfield, was recovered from the Arroyo Seco River about 3/4 mile from Miller's Lodge on Saturday, January 31. Wharton had been missing since 6a.m. Thursday. Wharton was last seen on top of his vehicle which had slipped off the spillway.

Assembly Passes Helmet Modification Bill

ABATE of California, Inc., a motorcyclists' rights organization, announced that last week the state Assembly passed the motorcycle helmet modification bill, AB 1412, with bipartisan support on a 44-30 vote. The bill would exempt motorcyclists 18 and over from having to wear helmets.

"By supporting the helmet modification bill, Assembly members have sent a message that they recognize the flaw in the arguments made and statistics used by our opponents which erroneously credit helmet use with reducing accidents and deaths," said Linda Gee of ABATE.

"Motorcycle riders are now one step closer to having the opportunity to evaluate their own personal safety concerns rather than being forced to wear a helmet," the bill's author, Denise Ducheny said.

In 1996 the Assembly passed a similar bill, but it was killed in a Senate committee. According to Gee, states with no helmet requirements enjoy fewer injuries and deaths than states requiring helmet use. "The reduction in injuries experienced in California is largely due to the success of the California Motorcycle Safety Program and rider education programs supported by ABATE and other motorcycle rights organizations. We thank those members of the legislature who have taken the time to review the record in order to make the right decision," said Gee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February is Fine Amnesty Month

Monterey County Free Libraries has designated February as Fine-Free Month for the return of overdue books. Library users returning materials to any Monterey County Free Libraries facility between February 1 and 28, 1998 will not be charged fines for those items regardless of how long they have been overdue.

According to County Librarian Robert McElroy, "With the significant reduction of our library materials budget this year, the return of overdue items increases our ability to provide a wide variety of resources to meet the information needs of the communities we serve."

Create a Valentine with Valley Artist

Carmel Valley artist/writer Illia Thomas will hold a "Give Yourself a Valentine" party on Saturday, February 14. Supplies will be provided to create a collage at the Carmel Valley Library at 65 W Carmel Valley Road form 1-4p.m. Ages 12 and up, to reserve space call 659-2377.

Hydrant Testing in February

The Carmel Valley Fire Protection District in conjunction with Cal-Am and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, will be performing fire hydrant testing in the Carmel Valley Village area on Wednesdays through February and early March.

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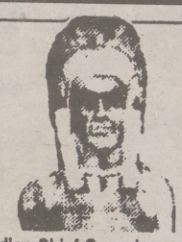

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A BETTER ANT KILLER

Tor McPartland of Cachagua has developed an effective insecticide that humans can eat and breathe with no detrimental effects.

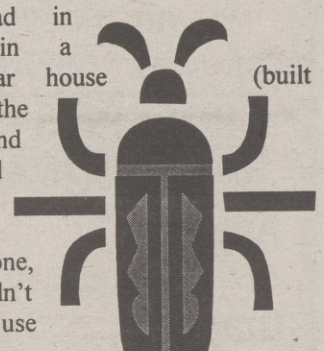
By Elizabeth Cowley

Ants. They were here before us and will probably survive we mere humans along with their cockroach and flea friends. Be that as it may, ant eradication from living quarters is a never-ending battle. The chemical arsenal developed for this task is not too pleasant. The chemical products work, but linger around your counters and food for you, your children and pets to consume. The one by one smashing technique only results in frustration and ant mash.

"All the ingredients in Orange Guard are, by the FDA, classified as food grade." - Tor McPartland

Tor McPartland of Cachagua has created a new food grade ant, flea and cockroach killer called Orange Guard. "All the ingredients in Orange Guard are, by the FDA, classified as food grade," says Tor. That's right, a food grade insecticide. Orange Guard will have no warnings for consumption, it's safe if consumed. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) allows the label to say that Orange Guard is safe for use near food, humans and pets. Tor says, "It's OK if you have ants on your cutting board, it's OK to spray, because it's food, its OK if it mixes with food."

"My concern was for children," says Tor. Having two daughters of his own, Tatiana age 4 and Athena age 1, Tor is concerned by the estrogen mimicking effects and general toxicity of chemical sprays. Tor had another personal reason to pursue the product, he lives out Carmel Valley Road in Cachagua in a passive solar house (built into the hillside) and says, "I had an ant problem from day one, and I didn't want to use poisons."



It all started when Tor saw an article in *Science News* magazine. A one paragraph blurb noted that someone had poured a citrus hand cleaner into a fire ant hill and all the ants had died. "I knew something was there (but) what made it active?" Tor said. The search was on. What was the active ingredient in citrus hand cleaner that made it so effective against ants?

WHY BOTHER?

Any supermarket has shelves full of insect killers, why do we need another? As the thrill of better living through chemistry wears off, we're finding those handy products have unintended victims and side-effects. Many of our favorite products are carcinogenic, estrogen mimicking, and generally toxic.

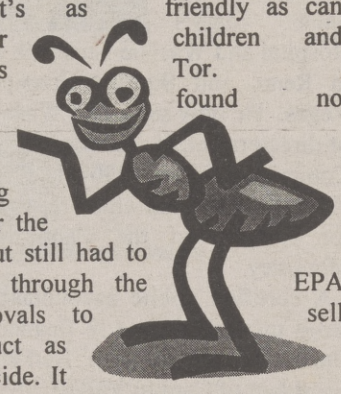
All the chlorine based chemicals like DDT and PCB's are estrogen mimicking, the body sees them as estrogen. Since the turn of the century, girls mature two years earlier and boys are more frequently born with un-distended testes.

Even the supposedly natural insecticide, pyrethrum, made from chrysanthemums, is a nerve toxin. Tor said, "It has been alleged to me that it is also an estrogen mimicker which all the other insecticides are." A resent *Science News* article said that pregnant mothers exposed to pyrethrum foggers increased the likelihood of their children developing a brain tumor by 5 times.

TO CREATE A FOOD GRADE INSECTICIDE

In 1985, Tor's brother Ladd identified the active ingredient in citrus hand cleaner as d-Limonene, which is steamed and distilled orange peel oil. As a natural solvent, Tor says d-Limonene is a common ingredient in 'new age cleaners' and is a by-product of making orange juice.

To make the product entirely safe, Tor wanted to mix the active ingredient with water and needed to find an emulsifier (to allow the active ingredient to mix) that was as safe to use as oranges. A proprietary emulsifier was developed. Tor says the emulsifier is also food grade, is extremely safe and is approved as an injectable in the pharmaceutical industry. "Being water based, it's as friendly as can be for children and pets," says Tor.



Tor found no outstanding patents for the product but still had to maneuver through the EPA for approvals to sell the product as an insecticide. It was not until March of 1996 that Orange Guard received federal EPA approval. Tor's background is in real estate and he said navigating the EPA was more difficult than trying to develop land in Monterey County. But it's not over yet, Orange Guard is approved for sale throughout the United States, except in California where final label approval is expected at any time. California has tough label standards and is currently verifying the flea and cockroach efficacy studies to ensure that the label's claimed effectiveness against not only ants, but fleas and cockroaches are correct.

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HOW DOES IT WORK?

"If you think about the orange, the orange evolved in a place where there are lots of bugs. I've never seen an orange peel that had been eaten by a bug, ever," says Tor.

Orange Guard works by dissolving the waxy coating and clogging the spiracles (how insects breathe) and they suffocate. Another bonus of orange guard is that it acts as a repellant. Tor says he can spray next to an ant hill and they'll move

FLOOD AND DISASTER GUIDE

WATCH & WARNINGS: WHAT TO DO

When a flood WATCH is issued: Move valuable household possessions to the upper floor of your home. Fill your car's gas tank in the event an evacuation is issued.

When a flood WARNING is issued: Tune in for information and advice to local radio and TV stations. When told to evacuate, do so as quickly as possible.

When a flash flood WATCH is issued: Watch for signs of flash flooding and be ready to evacuate on a moment's notice.

When a flash flood WARNING is issued: If you believe flash flooding has begun, evacuate immediately as you may have only seconds to escape. If your car stalls in rapidly rising waters, abandon it immediately and climb to higher ground.

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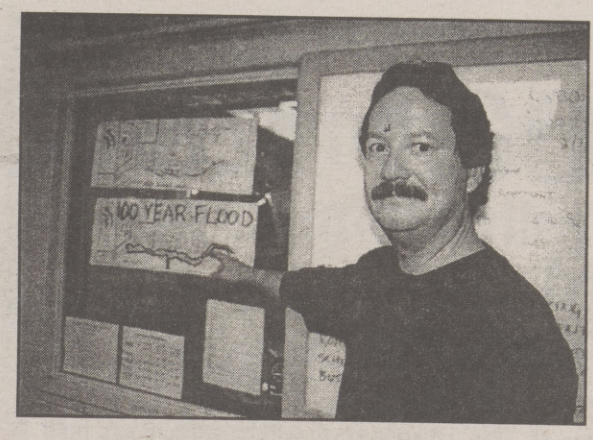

Carmel Valley Fire Protection District Captain Jeff Frye at the Carmel Valley Village station. Frye said the Carmel River got up to 12' on Monday night but did not flood in the Valley.

Residents in the Hitchcock Creek area (south side of Rosie's Bridge) were evacuated at about 3a.m. Tuesday morning but were able to return by 6a.m.

There are shelters at Carmel Valley Community Center and Carmel Middle School, Frye said there were half a dozen evacuees at the Community Center on Tuesday morning. Carmel Valley Fire had pre-filled 8,000 sandbags which were all deployed by Tuesday morning. Frye is expecting more and said sand is available at Garland Park.

Hitchcock Creek evacuees Gina Hurley and Irene Kellner. "My bridge almost washed away… I had to be evacuated at 3 a.m.," said Hurley. "I could touch the water from my window," said Kellner. Dan Callaway, also of the Hitchcock area, said he was evacuated but thankfully the only damage he found when he returned was a downed portion of fence.

Fire Chief Jeff Frye would like to warn everyone to avoid the temptation to get in the river. Frye said people try and boogie board, raft and kayak but said it is very dangerous because the water is cold, full of debris and possibly sewage. (Photo at right by David Dilworth in Safeway parking lot in Carmel)

Below, flood water flowing from the newly created 'lake Odello' across Highway 1 just south of Carmel. The water covered the highway for about a quarter mile stretch. Photo by David Dilworth.

Water Water Everywhere…

This is not a joke, Cal-Am has issued a request that all Cal-Am customers limit their water consumption to necessary use only. The water supply is limited due to power outages and water main breaks in isolated areas.

On February 3 a boil order was issued for Carmel Valley and if flooding continues, may continue or extend to other areas. The boil order recommends that tap water to be used for drinking or cooking be rapidly boiled for 5 minutes. If gas or electricity is not available to boil the water, add 8 drops (1/4 teaspoon) of bleach per gallon of water and mix. Allow the water to stand for 30 minutes before using.

Mid Carmel Valley Fire Department and Gavilan Conservation Camp personnel work to clear Carmel Valley Road Monday after an oak tree fell around 11:30a.m. when water saturated ground gave way. Photo by Tony Peet

More flood coverage on page 14

A Better Ant Killer Continued

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- Tor McPartland

out. So spraying the kitchen window, or wherever those critters get in, will keep them away.

Orange Guard is an all around peasant product to use. It employs a non-aerosol pump and actually smells nice. To repel, the product merely has to be near and ant source, to kill, it has to be sprayed directly on the insect.

Orange Guard has tested effective against ants, fleas and cockroaches. Tor conducted a study in cockroach infected apartments in Texas and Orange Guard won out against the chemical based dursban. Dursban, while still widely used, is under close scrutiny for toxicity and has recently been taken off the market as a carpet spray and is now only allowed as a crack and crevice spray.

TO MARKET TO MARKET

To help bring the product to market, Pebble Beach Ventures, a venture capital arm of Seagate Technologies has stepped in to help.

While the marketing plan is not finalized, Tor says the product will beat traditional chemical insecticides in efficacy and be competitive in price.

Orange Guard has been licensed to a nation-wide retailer called Necessary Organics with the brand name of Concern. "There is nothing that compares to this in the safety arena. You don't have to worry about your family."

Interested? As soon as California approves the label, Orange Guard will hit the market. In the mean time you can visit the Orange Guard web site at: www.orangeguard.com or call 659-3217.

Real Estate in THE SUN

John McCord

Still, It's Only Dirt

Much has been written of the good health of the real estate market on the peninsula over the past few months in our local papers. The bounty of glowing statistics reflecting continued improvement in the price of existing homes cause homeowners to smile while the supply of new homes continues to remain suppressed by an array of familiar constraints such as water, traffic, and good old local protesting such as we are witnessing in nearby Chular. This good news for peninsula homeowners reassures us our investments in our homes and way of life are relatively secure as future economic conditions fluctuate.

California's population is projected to increase over the next thirty years to as many as 40 million people. Most of these new arrivals will be following a post war tradition by migrating from other parts of the country and world. They will mostly assemble in the urban areas of the state and smaller San Joaquin valley towns, where growth will be attractive to both developers and government agencies seeking to increase their tax base in our Prop. 13 world.

Monterey County will receive its share of new residents but our environmental constrictions and wealth of passionate opponents will keep growth in check and, in particular, to a relative trickle on our peninsula. Instead, as economic conditions dictate, we will see a trend toward an inner city phenomenon called "redevelopment". Only here redevelopment will be driven by private enterprise instead of government subsidy.

Already, in Carmel, Pebble Beach, and Pacific Grove, the construction industry is embracing this process by adapting its focus from suburban tracts to individual projects on existing homesites. Increasingly grand estates near the ocean that were poorly maintained or of marginal construction, rotting cottages, and bungalows of non-historic significance set on redwood beam foundations are being written off and torn down to make way for newer more environmentally efficient and technologically compatible homes for the twenty first century.

In Carmel, new homes are designed to reflect the charm of downtown. Cotswold cottages with thatched styled roofs or intriguingly designed custom homes are replacing marginal and inefficient turn of the century board and bat bungalows.

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This new generation of residences are being built within the protective limits of city dictated square footage and height requirements to the dismay of many owners seeking to build something more ambitious. Yet, as these replacements age and weather, they will in future years become the fulcrum for preserving Carmel's charm in the next century.

Admittedly, this is an expensive prospect when tear down homes are purchased for near asking price because of land and especially their water value. Over time as water and traffic conditions remain entrenched, one lot by one, the peninsula will undergo a dramatic improvement in the quality of buildings we have. Slowly, we're seeing the same occur in the most affordable areas of Carmel Valley.

The challenge for property owners, developers, and new residents will be to maintain the quality of individual character and community involvement each of our peninsula towns strives to nurture.

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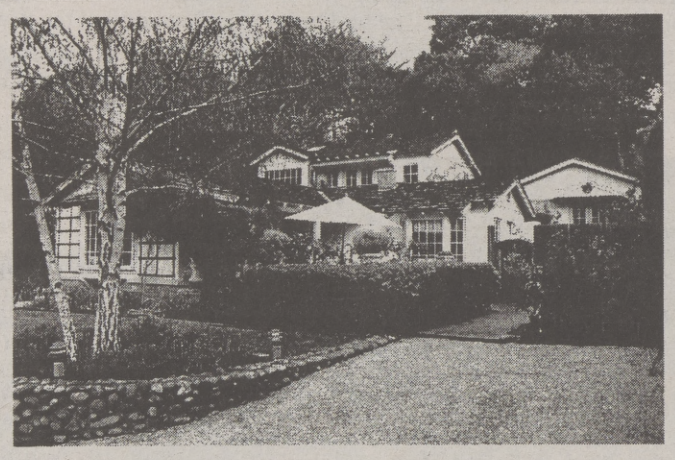

Perfection in the Valley!

Completely remodeled and exuding charm, this 2-bedroom, 2-bath home with guest house is perfect. Wonderful master suite with fireplace, sitting area and deck. There's a large country kitchen with commercial range and the outdoor patios are of Saltillo tile and wood. The property is a private paradise in a walk-to-village or park location. Now $399,000.

Enchanting Home!

Behind an enchanted gate lies a beautifully landscaped yard with seasonal creek. Forested views from every window. Spacious and light home of 2 bedrooms and 1 bath include hardwood floors, modern kitchen, skylights, and decks that extend living pleasure. $275,000.

Carol Jensen Root

It's a good time to buy or sell...

Home Sales For The Week Of January 18, 1998 - January 24, 1998

CARMEL:

Stephen and Kathleen Miller sold a property on Torres Street to Walter Kendall for $560,000.00.

Marie Stokes sold a property on Torres Street to Terenve and Nancy Budden for $390,000.00.

Mary Arnn sold 3161 Sycamore Place to James and Ruth Smith for $276,000.00.

CARMEL SOUTH COAST:

Vladimir and Thorunn Ashkeazy sold a property on Corona Road to Donald Masters for $711,500.00.

CARMEL VALLEY:

Randall Inman sold 4325 Canada Court to Lyubov and Whitney Savva for $475,000.00.

Quail Lodge Inc. sold 5483 Covey Court to Joseph and Katherine Bedell for $815,000.00.

Fred and Marth Chamberlain sold 5565 Via Casador to Christian and Glenda Tange for $390,000.00.

Spectrum Group Ltd. sold 25600 Tierra Grande Drive to James Davi for $330,000.00.

PEBBLE BEACH:

Ted and Phyllis Nehrenberg sold 6 Altos Drive to Andrew and Claudia Kwai for $294,000.00.

Phil Herold sold 1014 Vaquero Road to Paul Miller for $635,000.00.

Spanish Bay Phase III, LP sold 30 Spanish Bay Circle to Costa Limited Partners, LP for $1,439,000.00.

James and Marianne Frost sold 32 Los Altos Drive to Henry and Frances Gloy for $269,500.00.

MONTEREY:

Oak Tree Housing sold 7146 Oak Tree Place to Grace Lasko for $168,000.00.

Roy Howard sold 411 Garden Avenue to Douglas Holcomb for $180,000.00.

City of Monterey sold 30 Monte Vista Drive to Bilal Chaarani for $152,000.00.

John and Marie Odello sold 372 Clay Street to Rosario and Maria Zito for $1,379,000.00.

Milton and Alma Shriner sold 875 Filmore Street to Inga Howard for $265,000.00.

Paul and Joan Davis sold 658 Terry Street to Anthony Karachale for $333,000.00.

PACIFIC GROVE:

Thomas Johns sold 1252 Buena Vista Avenue to Maria Briones for $187,000.00.

George and Alice Raab sold 789 Lighthouse Avenue to Donald and Noreen Nance for $455,000.00.

Christian and Glenda Tange sold 510 Beaumont Drive to Steve and Lourdes Gonzales for $382,500.00.

Carol Jensen Root, real estate loan representative for Peninsula Real Estate Loans, can be reached at 659-1516.

Spare Change

By Barbra Alexander

Huge Profits In Forever

The old cliche, 'you can't take it with you', is certainly true. Of course who would want to anyway? Still, most of us take a moment before considering the idea of making investments in and then taking a profit from the efforts of the Grim Reaper.

A moment, but not much more. Because anyone who has ever thought about it knows that the business activity of putting on funerals is an unquestionable giant sector of commerce. Although personally we don't wish to think about it very much, the truth is that we're all going to use those services at some point.

We seem to want a great send-off and our families are willing to comply and spend the money. Maybe that's because everyone knows his turn is coming eventually.

Now this is not a column about dying or profiteering from death. This is about legitimate investments in an industry that, by virtue of an invariably increasing population, not to mention the aging of the baby-boomers, will continue to grow.

Let's approach this somewhat delicate topic with an eye toward the logic of investing, in a high return mutual fund that has performed amazingly well over the past few years and unless we find the magic formula for immortality, will only continue to improve.

Historically the investing public has largely overlooked companies that revolve around the death care business activity. However, these companies have quietly but significantly been expanding both in the U.S. and overseas.

As an example, Service Corporation International (NYSE) is the largest funeral home operator in North America, Europe and Australia. Followed closely by the Lowen Group (AMEX). Others such as casket manufacturer, Hittlenbrand Industries (NYSE), and marker makers, Mathews International (OTC), have emerged as leaders in their fields.

The growth seen over the past decade in the companies named above is only the tip of the proverbial iceberg. It makes sense when you consider that the population of the world has increased significantly over the past quarter of a century as well.

Regardless of the reason for this growth, the fact is that all companies need funds to operate and the global expansion of the death care industry has yielded a steady thirteen to sixteen percent from 1985 to 1995. Suddenly in 1996 the Index rose by twenty seven percent. This sudden rise soundly trounced the DOW, S&P, Russell and most other Indices.

Pretty good returns for something we don't want to discuss, don't you think? But it doesn't begin to address the other possible investment opportunities in related fields. Those companies that supply goods and services to the funeral industry. Think about the floral, concrete, lumber, construction, chemical and fabric trades. I've often thought that western cultures take better care of their dead than we do of the living and in researching this column I found nothing to contradict that belief.

We seem to want a great send-off and our families are willing to comply and spend the money. Maybe that's because everyone knows his turn is coming eventually.

Why is really irrelevant, the truth is that bargain basement funerals are rare. But a standard funeral without obvious extravagance will cost in the neighborhood of seven to ten thousand dollars. That's just the funeral home and cemetery expense and doesn't include the cost of the casket or marker.

References made in novels and films to pine boxes are a misnomer. There is every kind of wooden casket available except pine. The most common seems to be cherry wood. Do you think George Washington had any idea what he was starting by cutting down that tree?

There are caskets made of bronze with security devices to rival a bank. There are even special caskets made of eighteen-gauge steel. A development brought about by the theft of famous bodies, I would imagine. The point is that none of these items are inexpensive.

The investment in a mutual fund financing these manufacturers, or service companies would certainly pay a handsome return. So if you're looking for a profitable investment look into the business side of the death care industry. You'll be glad you did.

Recently someone suggested a Home Depot type of lower cost casket store. I'm not certain how ready we are for do it yourself or discount dying. The images that thought conjures are simply too funereal.

Barbra Alexander is a local home lender. She. can be heard every Saturday from 8 to 9 a.m. hosting the MONEY HOT-LINE on KSCO 1080 AM. You can reach Barbra directly by calling 408 649-8757.

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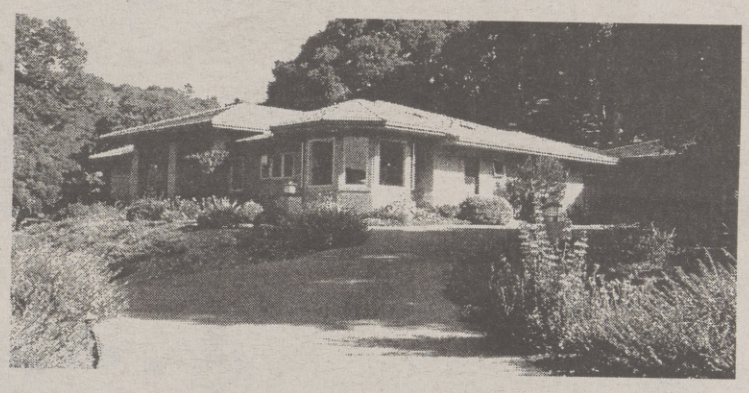

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Bluefin Billiards 375-7000	Dizzy Burnett Quartet 9pm - 12am Free swing lessons 8pm	"Rule of Thumb" 9pm - 1am	"Next Blues Band" 9pm-1am	Military Night 1/2 off pool for all active military personnel	Brew School with Anchor Steam 8pm College Night 1/2 off pool for all students	Two for Tuesday 2 for 1 well drinks & appetizers 9pm-Close	Ladies Night 1/2 off price of pool 8pm-Close
Doc's Nightclub 649-4241	Tony Miles	"Gel" opens for "Freight Train"	Taylor P. Collins sings the blues	Closed	Blues Bait	Jonah & the Whalewatchers Reggae Night!	Kevin Conley's Blues & Rock Jam Session
McGarrett's 646-9244	Call for Information	Alternative House and Techno CD 93 Night - 8pm	DJ Mikey Top 40 & House Music	Closed	Male and Female Exotic Dancers 8pm	Closed	Country Night – KTOM presents special guests 9pm - $5 cover
Nick's Place 372-2244	DJ Allen Chase from KDON - Top 40 Music 8pm	DJ Alan Chase from KDON - Top 40 Music 8pm	High energy Dance Music with Special Guest DJ	Coco Loca Salsa Night Doors open at 8pm	Closed	Closed	DJ Greg Dean and The Bang - house music 8pm
Planet Gemini 373-1449	Comedy 9-10:30pm with Jerome & John Bowman – $6 cover	Comedy 9-10:30pm with Jerome & John Bowman – $6 cover	Comedy 9-10:30pm with Jerome & John Bowman – $8 cover	Grupo Oasis Salsa Night - $5 Cover 8:30pm	Closed	Closed	Rockin Wednesdays with Mockingbird 92¢ Draft and 92¢ Cover - 8:30pm
Viva Monterey 646-1415	A.B.L. featuring Tom Ayres – 8:30pm	"A Baldwin Band" 9:30pm	"A Baldwin Band" 9:30pm	Viva Jams! Starts at 8:30pm followed by…DJ Matty's Eclectic Review.	Acoustic Rock featuring Randy Baldwin & Friends 8:30pm	Sing-A-Long with Matthew Clark 8:30pm	Viva Club Night w/ very special guests!
Whitey's Place 646-8383	Jam Session w/ Joe Lucido & Friends – 9pm	"Heebie Jeebies" 9:30pm	Farewell performance of "The Karma Band" 9:30pm	Trivial Pursuit – 6pm	Trivial Pursuit – 6pm	"Gold Record Karaoke" - 9pm	"Unknown Jeromes"

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Around Town

With Elizabeth Cowley

Where oh where is Matt Heimbold? Our faithful and dependable beacon of entertainment news has become a victim of El Nino. An errant branch found its way onto poor Matto's home. But never fear, he will be around town once again this Friday night.

Matt Heimbold has been busy tinkering with the lineup of Gel and kidnapping band members. Guy Dubets will still be joining Gel on bass along with recent addition Ken Pimentel, nabbed from the Human Doings, on keyboards. New guys include Donnie Nix of Kyfe on drums and Steve Moseley of the Karma band on guitar. Do not miss the opportunity to be the first kid on your block to see the new and improved Gel lineup this Friday night at Doc's Nightclub. Gel takes the stage at 9p.m. and opens for Santa Barbara youngsters Freight Train.

Also at Doc's this week: Taylor P. Collins singe the blues on Saturday night and The Sun's own Rand Reuter's Blues Bait hits the stage on Monday. It's reggae mon with Jonah and the Whalewatchers on Tuesday and a blues and rock free-for-all jam session with Kevin Conley's jam session.

Never fear, Matt Heimblod will be around town this Friday night at 9p.m. at Doc's Nightclub with a new Gel lineup.

Steve Moseley (Gel's latest guitar acquisition) will do a farewell performance with The Karma Band at Whitey's this Saturday night. This will be followed by an "OK, now we're really breaking up" farewell performance at the three spirits gallery on Sunday. (For more info on this all-ages show call the gallery at 393-2787.) The word is The Karma band is breaking up because Karma, the young and talented chanteuse, "is going to do her own thing." We'll keep our eyes and ears open in anticipation of what that might be.

So you really think you are too cool to dance? Rhythmless two-left-footers unite and learn to swing, for free, at The BlueFin on Thursday night. Dizzy

Goodby to the Karma band. A farewell performance will be held at Whitey's on Saturday night and a final, FINAL farewell performance at three spirits gallery on Sunday.

Burnett, that tiny, swanky gal with the large stand-up bass, and her band have been bringing the best in swing to the fin for some time now. The evening draws the best of the local hep-cats so get there at 8p.m. for your free dance lessons and swing the night away until midnight.

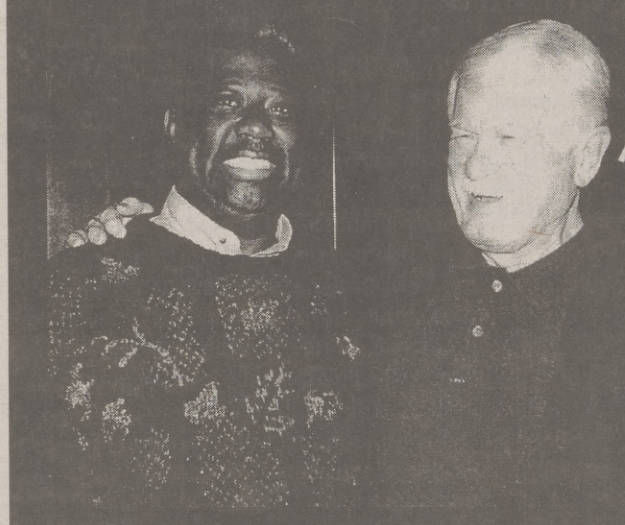
Also at BlueFin this weekend is, all the way from San Francisco, Rule of Thumb on Friday night, 9p.m. to 1 a.m. and Chicago Blues with the Next Blues Band on Saturday night from 9p.m. to 1 a.m. Other not-to-miss Fin tidbits include "Brew School" from 8-10p.m. on Monday night - this week featuring Anchor Steam. And, ladies, half off pool for you on Wednesday from 8p.m. on. Be sure and look your best when visiting the Fin as it is one of Paparazzi Girl's favorite places to haunt.

Ha ha, very funny. It's always a hoot at the Planet, which brings the peninsula the best in comedy every weekend. This weekend find Jerome and John Bowman 9-10:30 p.m. Thursday - Saturday. You may recognize Bowman from TV's "Evening at the Improv" or as "The Doll Killer" on one of the more memorable episodes of Miami Vice. "He rattles around the stage like an emotional quick change artist... definitely worth the price of admission..." - New York Magazine. Let me further echo Matt's mantra of: do not miss Mockingbird on Wednesday's. Quite a show at the planet.

Viva Monterey brings us A.B.L. featuring Tom Ayres and his lovely wife Angelina this Thursday night. Randy Baldwin is back with another band incarnation called A Baldwin Band both Friday and Saturday night and Randy does an acoustic gig, Randy Baldwin and Friends, on Monday. Wednesday night is Viva Club Night where Vince does his best Vegas lounge act while giving away fistfulls of dollars. What's the catch? You have to be there to win. Filling in the gaps at Viva is bartender extraordinaire - Matt. The moment a band steps off the stage, and sometimes before, Matt with the finely painted nails, will entertain with his collection of S.F. club inspired dance tunes and occasional dance moves.

It has been fun sitting in for *Storm-98* victim Matt Heimbold, please go see him in Gel at Doc's on Friday night and tell him how much you missed him. Now don't let a little rain keep you housebound - Trixie has apprised me the wet look is in.

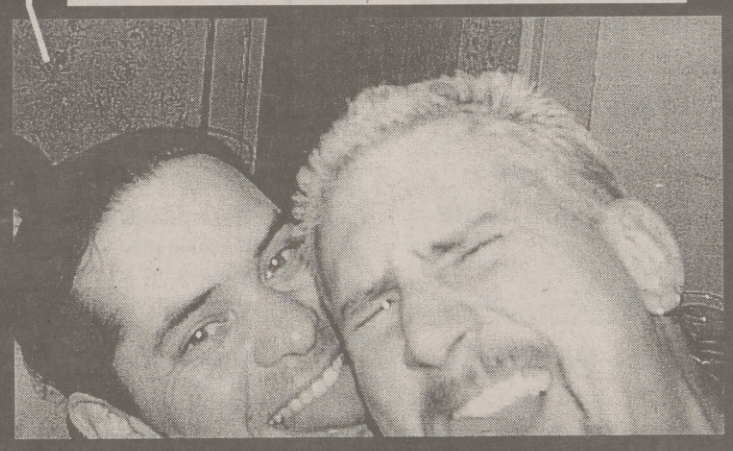
Paparazzi Girl Trista Waag



Pat DuVal and birthday boy Jim Cowley at DuVals. Pat's singing had them standing in the aisles on Friday night.. Time to add on to the bar!

A man calling himself Glenn Chambers (AT&T tourist) strikes a pose at the Mucky Duck.

No, Paparazzi Girl wasn't drinking. This is Matt's self-portrait from behind the bar at Viva. On the left with his tongue in Matt's ear is Randy Baldwin.



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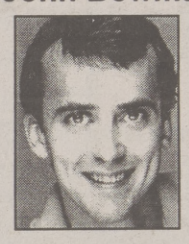

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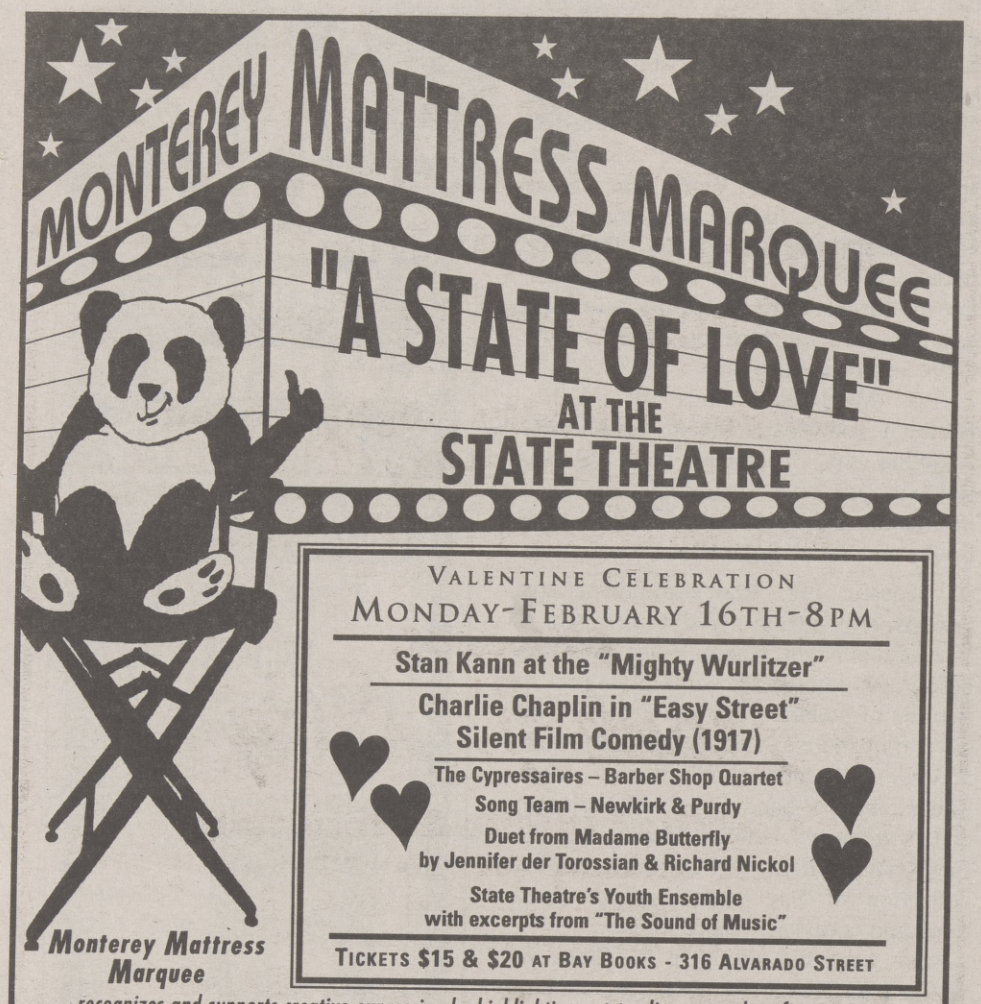
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Friday, February 6

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Sidewalk Astronomy in downtown Monterey. Join amateur astronomers from the Monterey Institute for Research in Astronomy for free "Sidewalk Astronomy" of Saturn's rings, craters on the Moon and other celestial sights by the fountain in Custom House Plaza, Monterey. Fri. & Sat. nights from 6pm to 9pm. Rain cancels. Information: 883-1000.

Fri. - Sun., Feb. 6 - 8

Unicorn Theatre presents a new play based on the bittersweet life of Oscar Wilde… **"Wilde about Oscar."** A comic-tragedy based on the life and writings of Wilde. "Wilde about Oscar" runs through Feb. 22nd and plays Fridays & Saturdays at 8pm and Sundays at 7pm. Tickets are $12 general, $10 students & seniors. Information or tickets: 649-0259.

Saturday, February 7

♥ **Thomas Kinkade**, *Painter of Light*, and the most published artist in America today, will be the featured speaker at the **23rd Annual Monterey Prayer Breakfast** that will be held Saturday at 8:20am in the Serra Ballroom at the Monterey Conference Center. Individual & group reservations can be made by calling 648-3536. Tickets are $16 per person.

Saturday, February 7

♥ **The 3rd Annual Seaside Youth Crusade** will be held Saturday from 9am to noon. A free breakfast will be served by the Knights of Columbus. Exciting door prizes. Children must be present to win. Guest speaker, Ron Johnson, executive director of the Boys & Girls Club and special entertainment by local city churches.

Saturday, February 7

Performance Carmel presents **The Sibikwa Players** in "Kwela Bafana-Move Boys" at 8pm at the Sunset Center in Carmel. The Sibikwa Players are a troop of innovative South African singers and dancers. Tickets are priced at $16 and $12.50. For tickets and more information call 624-3996.

Saturday, February 7

Family Mardi Gras Potluck at **St. Angela's Parish Hall** in Pacific Grove. Here's a chance to meet, eat, and greet one another in faith. A celebration that will also acquaint you with the diocesan-wide Renew program. All are welcome! Special program for children. Bring a dish to share. No admission fee. Potluck starts at 6:30pm.

Sat. & Sun., Feb. 7 & 8

Unicorn Fantasy Theatre presents **"Winnie the Pooh Returns… to the Hundred Acre Woods"** at the Hoffman Playhouse. Show times are Saturday matinees at 2pm & 4pm and Sunday matinees at 3pm. Advanced reservations advised. Call 649-0259

Monday, February 9

Starting Monday at 7:15pm, **Asilomar Park Grounds** will begin a series of hour-long evening programs designed to entertain and educate. Park rangers will lead programs at the bonfire pit west of the administration building. Free to the public. If there is bad weather, the program will be in the administration's main lobby by the fireplace. Information: 372-8016.

Tuesday, February 10

♪ **The Carmel Music Society** presents cellist **Matt Haimovitz** accompanied by pianist **Lori Lack.** Concert starts at 8pm at the Sunset Theater in Carmel. His program features works by Beethoven, Debussy, Ligeti, and Mendelssohn. Tickets cost $25, $20, and $15. For tickets & more information call the CMS at 625-9938.

Thursday, February 12

The Carmel Valley Garden Club meets for an annual potluck dinner. The Potluck Dinner will be held at **St. Dunstan's** on Robinson Canyon Rd at 6pm. After dinner the program will feature Helen Johnson. Ms. Johnson raises plants that encourage & feed monarch butterflies. Interested non-members welcome.

Saturday, February 14

"Give Yourself a Valentine." Create a collage with local artist/writer Illia Thomas from 1 to 4pm at the **Carmel Valley Branch Library.** Take part in a joyous art form in the company of others. Free. Supplies provided. Ages 12 and up. Call to reserve a space: 659-2377.

Saturday, February 14

The 2nd annual "Love Your Home" Walk-About Home and Garden Showcase is scheduled Sat. from 10am - 4pm featuring free demonstrations at 7 different retail locations in Pacific Grove. The day will end with a "Valentine's Day Mad Hatter's Tea Party." Stores participating are The Grove Homescapes, the Woodenickel, Designers Loft, The Country Store, Filice Design Studio and The Cubby Hole.

For the Month February

The Carmel Art Association will feature the work of five artist members in the Segal Room. Included in the Gallery Showcase will be bronze sculptures by Eleen Auvil, mixed-media monoprints by Norma Bhaskar, oil paintings by Joseph Nordmann, seascapes in oil by Peggy Olsen, and large woodblock prints by Sally Fox Sanders. The Association is located on Dolores St. between 5th & 6th.

The Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History is pleased to announce an exhibition of nature photographs by local photographer, Fred Capen. *Wonders of Nature* is a retrospective exhibit of some of Capen's favorite nature photographs from the US, Africa and Europe. Exhibit runs through the end of February.

Central Coast Art Association members will display their work at various locations throughout the month. Watercolors & acrylics by Juanita Anderson at Pebble Beach Post Office weekdays 8:30am- 4:30pm. Watercolors by Susan Sayles at Sally Griffin Senior Center from 9am-5pm. Reception Feb. 6th from 5-7pm.

The Blues Bus

By Rand Elliot Rueter

The Arabian Backstroke

This latest storm has opened the season for an old country sport at my ranch.

The sport is high speed fence moving. This is a two player sport, involving a fifty year old grumpy guy and a fourteen year old reluctant guy. The equipment required is twenty or so twelve feet Powder River five rail steel fence panels and a bunch of horses who don't like being near dead and dying Monterey pine trees in wind storms. The playing field is a highly terraced hillside which must be rain-soaked and incredibly slick. The game is played after work, in the dark, in the rain.

"In lieu of cheerleaders, a certain amount of requisite cursing is performed. Extra points may be granted for especially colorful vocabulary or coining a new word."

Each player takes turns getting his thumbs caught between panels while trying to either pull or insert endpins in the panel loops. The panels must be moved from the foot deep mud of the current mare pen to a less saturated area, so that the horses don't sink completely into the mud. The horses are required to find this process alternating fascinating, causing them to congregate in a dense pack, in a semi-circle around whoever is currently in the pen, exhilaratingly frightening, causing them to pivot, trumpet and dash away, flinging hoof size mudballs in all directions.

The game must be played while driving rain pours down the back of your neck and inside your slicker. It adds character to have a high wind blowing pine cones and sticks off the trees. In lieu of cheerleaders, a certain amount of requisite cursing is performed. Extra points may be granted for especially colorful vocabulary or coining a new word.

The score keeping involves getting the horses in place and teach them to swim. They can sort of swim already, as they have proved on trail rides in the mountains, but we could teach them alternative styles, perhaps the Quarter Horse equivalent of the 'fly or the liberty horses could do water ballet… or perhaps we'll just keep trying to keep them dry.

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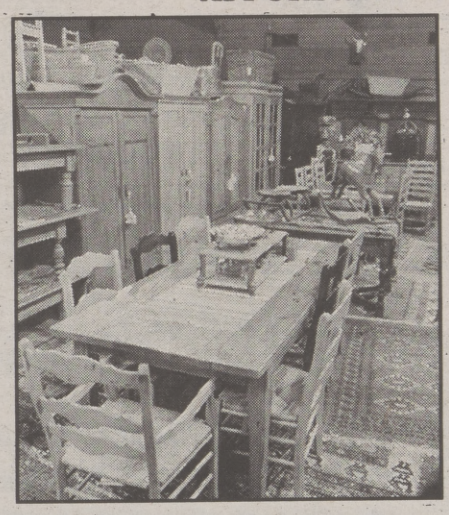

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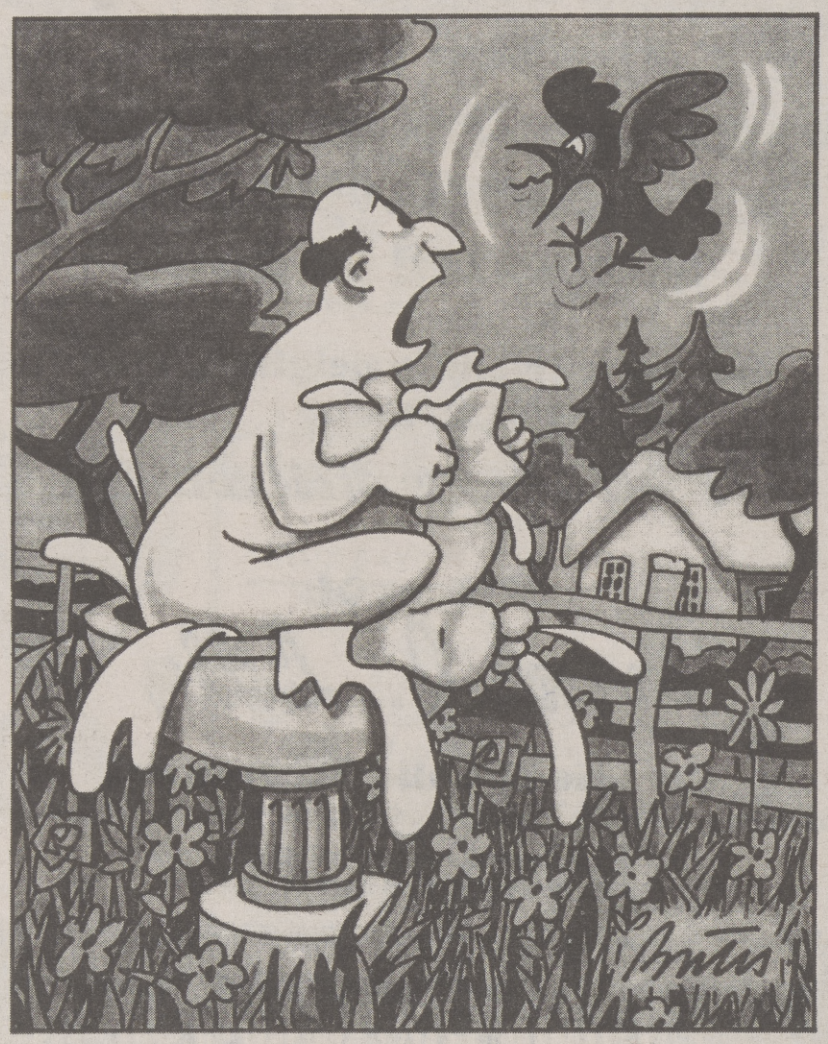

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ENVIRONMENT

YOUR WORLD AND MINE

By Araby Colton

Another Letter From a Friend

With Rosemary Matson's permission we print another excerpt from a letter from her friend, retired Unitarian Minister Harry C. Meserve. He writes:

"The recent conference in Kyoto on global warming saw considerable discussion of a proposal by the United States called 'emissions trading,' whereby an American company whose plants create a considerable amount of air or water pollution could atone for this poisoning, not by cleaning up its act at home, but continuing to pollute while contributing to efforts to clean up the air and water of some other country. The big oil or coal-burning steel, power, or chemical plants of the Middle West could help replant forests in Central or South America, or Africa, or Siberia. The American corporation would save the high costs of improvement on the home front while claiming to be an environmentally responsible entity. (Excellent PR, no?)

The third world nations are saying, quite sensibly, "Why don't you guys clean up your own backyards, where most of the world's pollution is generated?"

The obvious flaw in this proposal is that the corporate plants doing most of our polluting are in areas where millions of people live who must use the air and water. Our Eastern skies are often clouded by pollution that comes from Middle Western industries. The traded curtailments of pollution would come, mostly, in areas much less heavily populated and developed. The third world nations are saying, quite sensibly, "Why don't you guys clean up your own backyards, where most of the world's pollution is generated?"

Pondering this subject, I recalled that the Roman Catholic Church, in the 11th century, created a system of indulgences that enabled one to escape, for a price, the penalties for sins. One could, for example, receive indulgences in return for conspicuous service to the church, like enlisting in a crusade, or making a gift to the church for somebody else to go while one stayed safely at home.... It seems clear that exemption from the penalties for sin must make sins easier to commit.

Emissions trading, like the medieval indulgences, seem to me morally wrong. Does anybody have the right to go on doing destructive things to his own community just because he is paying to do some constructive things somewhere else? Can we avoid the simple moral truth that we are responsible to and for one another by doing good things with one hand and bad things with the other?

During the 1950's, when Dwight Eisenhower was President, his right-hand man, Sherman Adams, was given, in the course of a trip to South America, a vicuna coat - he had to resign his position at the White House. If such a standard were to be applied today I'm afraid we should have hardly anybody left in state or federal government.

John Donne, the Elizabethan poet-priest, prays in his 'Litanie' "that we get not a slipperiness and senselessly decline..." When the going gets slippery it helps to hold to something solid. How about common decency?... not the greatest of virtues, but a good start.

So, while our glorious leaders play their little games, what's happening in the real world out there?

Well, we're told by our federal government that 1997 was the warmest year of the 20th century… and the warmest five years of the century have all been since 1990.

And this has been the worst year in history for forest fires… at least 80 percent set by multinational companies, to clear land for planting or development... to make room for beef cattle, for McDonald's hamburgers? (Next week PR and who does it, and what it's doing to us.)

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The Legal Corner

By Barry Harrow

My continuing caveat is that I do not intend to take a position one way or the other on the current state of the law on the Separation of Church and State. Rather, I offer these articles to you for informational purposes only on the theory that more information is better than less and more discussion is better than less.

Engel v. Vitale was decided in 1962. It was about the Board of Education of Union Free School District No. 9, New Hyde Park, New York, which, acting in its official capacity under state law, directed the School District's principal to cause the following prayer to be said aloud by each class in the presence of a teacher at the beginning of each school day:

"Almighty God, we acknowledge our dependence upon Thee, and we beg Thy blessings upon us, our parents, our teachers and our Country."

The Board of Education argued that the Supreme Court's position tended to exhibit an actual hostility on the part of government against religion. The Court was very forceful in dispelling this view by saying:

"Nothing, of course, could be more wrong. The history of man is inseparable from the history of religion. And perhaps it is not too much to say that since the beginning of that history many people have devoutly believed that "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." It was doubtless largely due to men who believed this that there grew up a sentiment that caused men to leave the cross-currents of officially established state religions and religious persecution in Europe and come to this country filled with the hope that they could find a place in which they could pray when they pleased to the God of their faith in the language they chose. And there were men of this same faith in the power of prayer who led the fight for adoption of our Constitution and also for our Bill of Rights with the very guarantees of religious freedom that forbid the sort of governmental activity which New York has attempted here. These men knew that the First Amendment, which tried to put an end to governmental control of religion and of prayer, was not written to destroy either. They knew rather that it was written to quiet well-justified fears which nearly all of them felt arising out of an awareness that governments of the past had shackled men's tongues to make them speak only the religious thoughts that government wanted them to speak and to pray only to the God that government wanted them to pray to. It is neither sacrilegious nor antireligious to say that each separate government in this country should stay out of the business of writing or sanctioning official prayers and leave that purely religious function to the people themselves and to those the people choose to look to for religious guidance."

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Further argument was made that the prayer in question was short and fairly general and, furthermore, that the fact that the Board of Education was requiring the prayer did not elevate the situation to one which would lead to the type of problem visualized by the Establishment Clause found in the First Amendment of the Constitution ("Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion".)

The Court, in response, pointed to the words of James Madison, who drafted the First Amendment, as follows:

"It is proper to take alarm at the first experiment on our liberties… Who does not see that the same authority which can establish Christianity, in exclusion of all other Religions, may establish with the same ease any particular sect of Christians, in exclusion of all other Sects? That the same authority which can force a citizen to contribute three pence only of his property for the support of any one establishment, may force him to conform to any other establishment in all cases whatsoever?"

The Supreme Court then concluded that the Court of Appeals, which had upheld the school prayer program, should be reversed since the program violated the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment against government establishment of religion, which was made applicable to the States through the Fourteenth Amendment.

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OPINION

What's Next?

By Mel Vercoe

Anybody out there old enough to remember the silent movies, where a guy playing a pipe organ tried to make the words on the screen more exciting, and we had to come back for next week's chapter to find out how the hero got out alive after being pushed over a cliff by the villain, who was after the heroine?

It's better now. The plots are thicker, our TVs and radios and newspapers don't need pipe organs to keep us excited, and we have good guys and bad guys all over our planet in non-stop conflicts between countries, religions, political philosophies, and races.

"Would another war, like the one some of us would like to get started... solve any problems?"

The show is so exciting that nobody wants to bother with little details, like what are we going to do about water and food supplies, after we succeed in hopelessly depleting all of our natural resources, as if our ability to over-populate is our human species most important function.

Would another war, like the one some of us would like to get started, whether to assure our oil supplies, or kill off everybody who doesn't believe in our particular brand of democracy, or just to distract attention from some on-going American-style squabbles, solve any problems? Sure, nobody would remember some of the more exciting chapters, or even the name of a Chief Prosecutor in one of the chapters.

The Hiroshima and Nagasaki demonstrations of the effectiveness of nuclear weapons saved the World from a repeat of atomic warfare for 53 years. Probably at least 20 countries now have these weapons. Personally, I find it somewhat scary that our Congress gave our President, one individual, the power, with the War Powers Act, to start a full-scale war, which could easily start in Iraq. I expect some other people, as in France and Russia, are also concerned about it.

DOROTHY ZOE DRAPER

A Different Look

At boarding school I had been taught to keep my head erect and proud. At the sorority house at College our housemother said "Grace" and everyone bowed their heads. Why? What for? To whom? I had not been raised with any religious training.

To whom were they bowing? What did they think? That some god was up there above their heads? I wondered, what gave them that idea? Someone who had power over them?

The wind blows; it can have savage force. No one bows to the wind. Angels and animals have divine power. No one bows.

The sea crashes its fury against the rocks and takes part of them with it as it falls back. Who regards the sea with a lowered head?

The sun rises, pours a richness of gold upon us.

The Devil is everywhere. I don't need religious training to teach me that. Who bows to the devil?

The sun rises, pours a richness of gold upon us. I could almost bow to the sun.

The final power is Death. We do not praise Death with bowed heads.

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River Ramblings

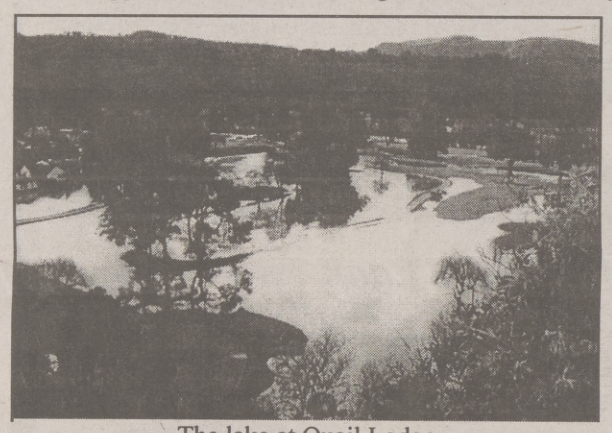
Text & Photos by Joseph Hertlein

Storm Of February 1998

It is weeks like this that we are especially thankful for the many wonderful friends and neighbors in Carmel Valley who have volunteered many hours and helped one another in times of need. While so far, and we pray that it continues so, the damage has not been as great as it was during the storms of 1995. De los Heleachos and Mission Fields are much dryer this year. The Carmel River Bridge and the approach to Rosie's Bridge have remained intact. However, there are still many residents of Camp Steffani and Cachagua who have been hard hit by this year's floods. Homes that were not effected last time in Quail Lodge have been effected this time. School was closed Tuesday because of numerous spots along Carmel Valley Road that were effected by mudslides and water flowing across the roadway. There were extensive power outages in Carmel, along the Big Sur Coast and at the Crossroads.

Sandbagging at Carmel Valley Fire Station.

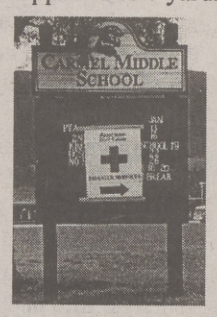
Sometimes visible, though more often not readily seen and as easily appreciated were the many individuals who worked overtime throughout the night and day and those who volunteered to help neighbors and friends. The crews of PG&E, Pacific Bell and TCI Cable have particularly been out there in the worst of weather to repair downed lines and to restore service to customers. The Mid-Valley, Carmel Valley, and Cachagua Volunteer Fire Depts. have put in many extra hours to assist in traffic control and to help with providing sandbags. The Carmel Valley fire station has handed out 12,000 sandbags since Sunday. More are being prepared. At Mid-Valley Fire station residents were making sandbags through the day in an effort to help prevent further flooding.



The lake at Quail Lodge.

Because of a power outage at the mouth of the Valley, Sheriff Deputies and Search & Rescue volunteers provided traffic control at Rancho Boulevard.

Various Construction firms volunteered and were hired to assist with clearing mudslides from the roadway and to clear fallen trees. Some mudslides seemed almost continuous. Sometimes, just as one mudslide was cleared, another would appear a few yards down the road. The roadway west of Hidden Hills was just one slide after another. Stopping at the crest of the hill to overlook Quail Lodge Golf Resort, one saw not a golf course; rather, one saw what appeared to be a lake with islands. The course will probably be closed until early next week. Talk about water hazards, Rancho Canada was reported to be 60% under water and would be closed until at least next Tuesday the 10th. Because of its higher elevation Carmel Valley Ranch golf course is open, though the driving range is underwater. I'm told that they will be using floating golf balls. (Yes, seriously.)



One of many cars abandoned in rising waters.

Despite the damage, Valley residents can be thankful for the spirit of cooperation and assistance that is offered by so many. Red Cross volunteers provided assistance to those who were given shelter at the Carmel Middle School. Many local businesses went out of their way to help people who need special supplies and assistance. Most of all there were many neighbors who helped one another clear local drainage flows and culverts in order to prevent or alleviate further flooding. While no one wants to see the aftermath of physical damage caused by storms, it is, at least, heartening to see the goodwill and friendliness of so many that results from the spiritual ties that are strengthened by neighbors and community residents helping one another. That is what civilized society is all about. People caring about and helping one another. We can't change the weather. We can, though, choose how we help one another.

Major runoff and rocks from the Eastwood property created flooding and slow going across Carmel Valley Road.

COPS

January 19

Carmel Valley: Woman reports six one dollar bills were stolen out of a frame from the wall of her business.

Pebble Beach: Individual reported a suspicious male loitering around the mailboxes next to his condo. The subject was gone upon police arrival.

January 20

Carmel Valley: Woman reported losing jewelry from her backpack on the afternoon of 1/18/98. All items were recovered the next morning except for two gold rings, one with diamonds and pinkie ring of plain design.

Carmel: Individual reports a friend was making annoying phone calls to her residence. Friend was contacted and advised that the calls would stop.

January 21

Carmel Valley: Man reports having verbal dispute with a neighbor over horses. The problem was resolved after talking to the neighbor.

Carmel Valley: Woman reports her neighbor coming into her house without her permission. The neighbor was in the house looking for his dog, which ran inside.

Carmel Valley: Individual reports an on going problem with juveniles behind the Allaire building. Graffiti was found on the walls this morning.

Carmel: WMJ was caught smoking on the Carmel High School campus. Subject was cited into juvenile probation.

January 22

Carmel Valley: A Carmel Valley resident reported hearing a loud banging on her front door. An area check of her property revealed nothing.

Carmel Valley: Woman called to report a noise in the building that was keeping her from sleeping.

Pebble Beach: An undercover Pacific Grove police detective was parked in the Spanish Bay parking lot consuming his lunch. The detective spotted two 17 year old juveniles consuming alcoholic beverages within their vehicle. Three alcoholic beverages were found hidden under the right passenger's seat. Both juveniles were issued citations for possession of alcoholic beverages by minors.

January 23

Pebble Beach: Individual reported the theft of about 24 baby Oak trees from the edge of the golf course along Seventeen Mile Drive.

January 26

Pebble Beach: Individual requested assistance with her roommate's 17 year old son who was having emotional problems after a court appearance for felony vandalism charges. Juvenile tried to kill himself by jumping out of his mother's vehicle on their way back from court. Juvenile threatened to commit suicide by shooting it out with law enforcement. Juvenile was located and taken to the NP Ward at NMC for a 72 hour hold/observation.

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